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SUBJ: SHIPBUILDING/PORT CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE

EQUIPMENT TRADE MISSION

REF: A) STATE 276344 B) KARACHI 2240 C) TEHRAN 10723

1. CONGEN KARACHI APPLAUDS APPARENT USDOC DECISION TO AT LEAST CONSIDER JOINT TRADE MISSION TO IRAN AND PAKISTAN AS IMPLIED IN REF A. WE APPRECIATE DIFFICULTY IN ARRANGING FOR SUCH A MISSION ON SHORT NOTICE IN ORDER TO ALLOW IT TO VISIT PAKISTAN AND IRAN AS EARLY AS MARCH 1975, BUT WE SHARE TEHRAN'S BELIEF THAT VISIT EARLIER THAN JUNE WOULD ENHANCE POSSIBILITY OF GREATER SUCCESS SINCE BOTH PORT QASIM AND KARACHI PORT TRUST ARE MOVING AHEAD VERY RAPIDLY WITH DEVELOPMENT PLANS. FURTHER REASONING IN FAVOR OF MARCH TIMING (WEATHER ETC.) GIVEN IN REF B.

2. NONETHELESS, WE WOULD STILL CONSIDER A TRADE MISSION AS LATE AS JUNE TO BE USEFUL. ANY DELAY BEYOND JUNE WOULD DECREASE ITS LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESS AND WE WOULD DISCOURAGE MISSION VISIT AFTER ABOUT AUGUST.

3. BELIEVE USDOC SHOULD CONSIDER INCLUDING CONTRACTORS (DREDGING, CIVIL CONSTRUCTION, ETC.) IN MISSION TO SUPPLEMENT EQUIPMENT SUPPLIES AND CONSULTANTS.

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